

SHORT FAMILY HISTORY

HUSBAND

WIFE

FULL NAME: Robert Franklin Gwilliam

FULL NAME: Gloria Stimpson Gwilliam

BIRTHDATE: Nov. 12, 1927 PLACE Murray, Utah

BIRTHDATE: Sep. 7, 1929 PLACE Provo, Utah

FATHER: Russell Thompson Gwilliam

FATHER: John Vernal Stimpson

MOTHER: Vera Walker Gwilliam

MOTHER: Edith Bee Stimpson

SCHOOLS: Nampa (Idaho) H.S.; Mont. Sch. of Mines, BYU, Uof U, U of Oregon.

SCHOOLS: Provo H.S., BYU University of Utah, Univ. of Arizona

MEETING AND COURTSHIP:

Bob stopped off in Provo to visit his aunt and her husband on way home from Navy at end of WWII; she introduced him to Gloria, a member of their ward and still in HS. He returned to school W '47, they dated 1 yr., he went on mission and they mrd. Summer of '50.

OCCUPATIONS: "Gandy Dancer", grocery clerk, road construction, sawmill, custodian, teacher, principal, Navy chaplain, guidance counselor, community-leadership development consultant, trainer, grantsman, administrator, school psyc.

OCCUPATIONS: soda fountain clerk, print shop worker, elementary teacher, resource room teacher, community action program outreach worker, housewife.

CHILDREN: NAMES

BIRTHDATE

BIRTH PLACE

1. John Russell

6/6/51

Provo, Utah

2. Anne

11/11/53

Oakland, CA

3. Timothy Robert

6/5/55

Provo, Utah

4. Christine

4/23/57

Provo, Utah

5. Bruce David

5/29/59

Provo, Utah

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MISSIONS AND MILITARY SERVICE:

Bob served in Navy as enlisted man 16 months around the end of WWII, saw no combat, no overseas duty. Called as 1st missionary from BYU Campus Br. and went to Navajo-Zuni/Southwest Indian Mission. After marriage and birth of 1st child, returned to Navy during Korean conflict, 1st as enlisted man, later commissioned as Chaplain and stationed at Treasure Island Receiving Station in San Francisco Bay.

FAMILY'S HOBBIES, TRAVELS AND INTERESTS:

We especially enjoy the out-of-doors: camping hiking, fishing; also enjoy arts (music, drama, etc.). Much of our life has been spent with Lamanites (particularly tribes and pueblos in Arizona and New Mexico). Travel has been largely in the West and we have lived in seven of the western states.

POSITIONS HELD IN CIVIC AND CHURCH WORK:

Gloria has served as counselor in ward RS and as Homemaking Leader, Spiritual Living teacher, counselor in Primary Presidency, Primary chorister, and filled several teaching positions; Bob has been ward and stake Mission Leader, ward and stake Activities Chairman, ward choir leader, MIA Dance Director (with Gloria), a variety of teaching positions, and member of the General Board, Desert Sunday School Union

ACHIEVEMENTS, RECOGNITIONS, TALENTS, HONORS, ETC..

We both like to sing and we have some background in helping troubled married couples.

FAITH PROMOTING EXPERIENCES:

We share a strong conviction that our lives have been generally guided by the Lord, that all we have learned and experienced, at any given time, seems to be used, as well as built upon, in the next situation in which we find ourselves. More specifically, the healing and comforting influence of the Holy Ghost has been felt on many occasions, perhaps most importantly when temptations regarding the Word of Wisdom were taken instantaneously from Bob as a direct response to fasting and prayer. Gloria's ability to endure throughout long years of torment over this same problem was probably the greater miracle, however.

(OVER FOR ADDITIONAL SPACE)

Florida Education Institute
Tallahassee, Florida
March 1, 1957

John F. Kennedy

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U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Kennedy:
I am pleased to hear that you are interested in the work of the Florida Education Institute. The Institute is a non-profit organization which is dedicated to the improvement of the educational system in Florida. We are currently working on a number of projects, including the development of new textbooks and the training of teachers. We are also conducting research on the most effective methods of teaching. We are very interested in your views on these matters and would be glad to discuss them with you at any time.

Yours truly,
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For several years I have been interested in the work of the Florida Education Institute. I have read many of the reports and articles which you have published and I am very impressed by the quality of the work which you are doing. I am particularly interested in the work which you are doing in the field of teacher training. I believe that this is one of the most important areas in which we need to make improvements. I am also interested in the work which you are doing in the field of textbook development. I believe that this is another area in which we need to make improvements. I am very glad to hear that you are planning to expand your work in these areas and I am sure that you will continue to make significant contributions to the improvement of the educational system in Florida.

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